



Vision

Enrich the community and promote a healthy lifestyle by facilitating the creation of a network of public trails and greenways.

Mission

- To promote the importance of greenways and trails to the quality of life within the community.
- To plan for and facilitate the development, implementation and improvement of a greenway and trails network within Shawano County and adjacent areas for recreation and alternative transportation.
- To sponsor and provide various opportunities for healthy outdoor activities for all ages.

Annual Meeting/Report to the Community Nov 10, 2020 6:30 PM

Minutes

Members and Guests Present: Nancy Brown Koeller, Will Kort, Brad Holz, Dana Mueller, Nitta Charnon, Mary Krueger, Elizabeth and Madeline Schroth, Melanie Curti, Matty Mathison, Nancy Schultz, Peter Thillman, Scott and Owen Krueger, Donna Hobscheid, Greg Sturm, Vicki Johnson, John Koeller, Peter Klug, Alissandra Kriewaldt, Maddigan Bakeberg, Sandra Carroll, David Koeller, Angela Divjak

Members Absent: Heather Zimba, Maxine Williams

1. Welcome – Mary Krueger, Nancy Brown-Koeller
2. Announcements and Approval of Prior Annual Meeting Minutes – Dana Mueller - motion to approve 2018 and 2019 minutes Nitta Charnon - 2nd Brad Holz. Minutes approved
3. Treasurer's Report – Wanitta Charnon - Nitta presented summary of funds and an explanation of assigned, restricted, and unassigned designations. Several streams of revenue - banner rentals (no rentals this year), Thursdayz at Franklin, membership, donations, event registrations. \$35,000 donated to Shawano County to enable it to pave shoulders on Cty Hwy H. \$35,000 commitment to City of Shawano to help fund Wolf River Trail tunnel. Commitment to match fundraising efforts of Friends of MBT group up to \$5,000. Motion to approve Mary Krueger - 2nd Matty Mathison. Report approved
4. Membership Report – Mary Krueger - 46 individuals/families, 11 of which are lifetime members. 2021 lifetime membership is increasing to \$600. Half of membership renews at time of annual meeting. Mary has brochures and will reach out to any prospective members.
 - a. Recognition of new Lifetime Members - Stacey Brickson, Charles and Judy Kesler, Nancy and Dennis Schultz, Sue Krueger
5. By-laws update – Nancy - Nancy presented changes to the By laws for approval by members. Motion to accept by laws updates as written - Nitta Charnon, 2nd - John

Koeller, motion carried and by laws updates approved.

6. Introduction of Proposed Board Members and Officers – Nancy Brown-Koeller

Nominations: Wanitta Charnon as Treasurer, Will Kort as Parks/Town

Liasion, Matty Mathison as BTBQ/FOMBT/Snowshoe Trails. No

nominations from floor.

7. Approval of Board Members and Officers – Nancy Brown-Koeller - Motion to accept nominations- John Koeller, 2nd - Brad Holz, nominations accepted.

8. Photo Contest Winners Announced – Nancy Brown-Koeller - Special Mention winner - Peter Klug “A Hill” - photo will be used on Facebook page for remainder of the fall and for fall 2021. 3rd place - Elizabeth Schroth “Autumn Awe”. 2nd place - Madeline Schroth “Ochre Autumn”. 1st place- Maddigan Bakeberg “The Three of Diamonds”. The winning photos are framed and will be on display at Glas through November.

9. Eagle Scout Picnic Shelter - Nancy - Owen completed a picnic table shelter on the Clay Borrow section of the Yellow Park to Park loop. A plaque was presented to Owen that will be fixed to the shelter.

10.Flipping the Bridge - Greg and Matty - In summer of 2019, Pathways volunteers helped remove boards from the bridge. In summer of 2020, Pathways volunteers pulled every board that had been placed (462 boards) and reworked the bridge, removing hardware and fitting boards properly.

11.Bike the Barn Quilts – Matty - The ride was done as a remote event in 2020, with 270 participants from across the country.

12.Leopold Benches – Nancy, Dave and Matty - Benches are available to order. Plaques can be ordered from Martin Jewellers.

13.Some of our plans for 2021 - State trail passes for 2021 can be purchased through Pathways, City Hall, the Courthouse and the Chamber. Keep the money in Shawano County by purchasing in Shawano County. Looking forward to picking up events that were cancelled in 2020 - Trail Clean up, Pedal & Paddle, BTBQ in person. Putting together an education campaign covering the 3’ law for bikers and pedestrians.

a. Town of Washington, Fix-It Stations - Will - Keith Depies has prospective routes/loops, Will and Keith will meet with the town of Cecil and Washington to provide suggestions and look for feedback from the community. Will has been working with the city and county and has approval for 3 fix it stations to be installed at Mielke Park, County Park, and Mountain Bay Trail crossing at Main St. These will be installed in the spring. Working with Friends of the Mountain Bay Trail to identify locations for stations on the MBT as well.

14.Volunteer Opportunities - Trail clean up, Wolf River Paddle & Pedal (co chairs needed), Thursdayz at Franklin, BBQ & Blue Grass, Bike the Barn Quilts, Fall Hike, search for a bike repair shop, Friends of the Mountain Bay Trail group, family friendly bike rides, 3’ campaign, Stubborn Brothers bike ride

15. Good-night, Happy Trails, Adjourn - motion to adjourn - Nitta Charnon, 2nd - Vicki Johnson, meeting adjourned 8:07 pm.

2020 Major Accomplishments

Raising funds and donating to Shawano County Highway Dept so they could add **paved shoulders on Lake Drive/County Rd H** between Hwy 47/55 and Mielke Park, making the road much safer for walkers, bikers and drivers.

Fundraising by selling **beverages at Franklin Park** Thursday Concerts and hand-made Leopold benches
Revamping **Bike the Barn Quilts** to remote format with walkers and bikers participating all over the nation.

Flipping the Bridge - pulled up the heavy planks on the Sturgeon Park / Mountain Bay Trail bridge, removed nails, flipped them, screwed them down - all so the community can have a less bumpy walk or bike ride across the Wolf River

Sponsoring an **Eagle Scout to build a picnic shelter** on the Clay Borrow section of the Yellow Park to Park Loop

Helping to **start a Friends of the Mountain Bay Trail** – a group focused on improving and promoting the MBT in Shawano County

- Shawano Pathways Organization

Executive Board and Officers

Term Ending December 2021 Term Ending December 2022 Term Ending December 2023

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| Brad Holz Webmaster, Annual Social Co Chair, Events Registration | *One-year term through 2020 Wanita Charnon Treasurer | Nancy Brown-Koeller* President |
| Mary Krueger Membership Chair & Vice President | Will Kort Towns and Parks Departments Liaison | Matty Mathison Bike the Barn Quilts, Snowshoe Trails, FOMBT |
| Angela Divjak / Heather Zimba Health Care Liaison | Dana Mueller Board Secretary, Internal Comm, Document Keeper | Melanie Curti School Liaison and Events |
| + Past President – Greg Sturm | | |

Committee Chairs and Task Force Leads

VACANT – Paddle and Pedal Co-Chairs

Sandra Carroll – Franklin Park Thursday Co-Chair

Vicki Johnson – Communication & Public Relations

Greg Sturm – Trails, Maps, Signs; County Bike Ped Advisory Committee; MBT Bridge

Dave Koeller - Trails, Maps, Signs; County Bike Ped Advisory Committee, Franklin Park Beverage Booth

John Koeller – Clay Barrow Trail Maintenance; Paddle & Pedal, Franklin Park Beverage Booth, BBQ and Barn Dance

Maxine Williams –Planned / Legacy Giving, Social Secretary, Event Decorations, Banner Rental Coordinator

Pat McCain – Mountain Bay Trail Fee Structure

Advisory Members (Non-voting)

Bryan Gagnon Kari Hopfensperger Keith Marquardt Matt Hendricks Dave Poffinbarger Nancy Schultz Eddie Shepard

Say “Yes” to Volunteer Opportunities

Short-term or long-term

- Searching for Bike Repair Shop / Mobile Service
- Organizing Fall Walk on Clay Borrow section of Yellow Trail
- Volunteering at on-going events:
 - Spring Trail Clean-Up
 - Paddle and Pedal
 - Bike the Barn Quilts
 - Franklin Park Thursdayz beverage booth
 - Joining Friends of Mountain Bay Trail

Upcoming Events

- Snowshoe hikes??? Do we want to do these (without indoor gathering)?
- Spring Trail Clean-Up?